

June 6, 2023

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on June 6, 2023, 10:05 a.m. Present were Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart and Fedorchak.

Minutes

Mr. Christmann: I move the minutes of May 11, 2023, be approved.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-312  
Otter Tail Power Company  
Advanced Grid Infrastructure Cost  
Recovery Rider  
Tariff and Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,602.51 in Otter Tail Power Company, Advanced Grid Infrastructure Cost Recovery Rider, Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-22-312.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-169  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
2022 Gas  
Annual Report

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission close the Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., 2022 Gas, Annual Report, Case No. PU-23-169.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-22-144  
Falkirk Mining Company  
Revision 42, Permit NAFK-8405  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Revision No. 42 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-8405 held by Falkirk Mining Company, to add 3359.7 acres to the permit; incorporate baseline information for the added area; revise operations and reclamation plans; update the stand-alone Ground Water Hydrology document; and update the worst-case reclamation Cost estimate for the consolidated bond area that includes this and other permits at the Falkirk Mine, in Falkirk Mining Company, Revision 42, Permit NAFK-8405, Application, RC-22-144.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-194  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
2022 Electric Rate Increase  
Application

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., 2022 Electric Rate Increase, Application, Case No. PU-22-194.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. DM-22-325  
Public Service Commission  
CenturyLink Communications, LLC  
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Order on Consent Agreement in Public Service Commission, CenturyLink Communications, LLC, Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. DM-22-325.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-371  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Electric Service Agreement - Applied  
Blockchain  
Approval

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Electric Service Agreement – Applied Blockchain, Approval, Case No. PU-22-371.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-77  
Denbury Green Pipeline - North  
Dakota, LLC  
Transfer - Certificate #215 & Permit  
#225  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Denbury Green Pipeline – North Dakota, LLC, Transfer – Certificate #215 & Permit #225, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-77.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-86  
Otter Tail Power Company  
Amend - Langdon Wind Upgrade  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, Amend – Langdon Wind Upgrade, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-86.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-176  
Otter Tail Power Company  
Amend - Luverne Wind Upgrade  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, Amend - Luverne Wind Upgrade, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-176.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:24 A.M.

  
Executive Secretary

  
RANDY CHRISTMANN, CHAIR